

**NEW HAMPSHIRE EXECUTIVE BRANCH  
ETHICS COMMITTEE**

**OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
ROOM 302**

**April 11, 2007  
8:00 AM**

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Meeting called to order by Chair David Nixon.

Present: John Blair, Dale Kuehne, David Nixon, Deborah Schachter and Patricia Quigley.

Absent: Douglas O'Brien, One position vacant

Also Present: New Hampshire Deputy Attorney General, Bud Fitch

At the request of Chair, David Nixon, a special meeting of the Executive Branch Ethics Committee was held in order to issue an Advisory Opinion on the following inquiry received by the committee:

**May an elected executive branch official vote on the confirmation of an individual nominated to an executive branch position when the elected official's campaign received a political campaign contribution from the nominee at the most recent election?**

Deputy Attorney General Bud Fitch circulated a draft response to the committee members for their review. Discussion was held on the draft response and revisions to the response were made. Dale Kuehne made a motion to adopt **Advisory Opinion 2007-008**, as revised. The motion was seconded by Patricia Quigley and Deborah Schachter.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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